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Family and Children's Health Programs Group, Center for Medicaid and State Operations

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Mr. Bob Labbe, Director
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Dear Mr. Labbe:

We are pleased to inform you that your State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP) State plan amendment submitted August 23, 2002, with additional information submitted on November 1, 2002, has been approved. This amendment revises the SCHIP state plan to indicate the State's compliance with the final SCHIP regulations and to update program descriptions.

Your title XXI project officer is Ms. Dana Pryor. She is available to answer questions concerning this amendment and other SCHIP-related issues. Ms. Pryor's contact information is as follows:

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Official communications regarding program matters should be sent simultaneously to Ms. Bunnee Butterfield, Acting Associate Regional Administrator in our Seattle Regional Office. Ms. Butterfield's contact information is (206) 615-2318:

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If you have additional questions, please contact Mr. Richard Chambers, Director, Family and Children's Health Programs Group, Center for Medicaid and State Operations at (410) 786-5647.

We look forward to continuing to work with you and your staff.

Sincerely,

/s/
Dennis G. Smith
Director

cc: CMS Region X Office